

# CAMERON BELIEVES STATEHOOD WILL HASTEN CONFIRMATION OF SMELTER SALE ON LIGHTING FRANCHISE

## Thinks The Enabling Act Satisfactory Progress In City Council At Special Meeting Takes Steps On Measure Will Pass At Short Session Situation Reported By Receiver

(From Tuesday's Daily.)  
Hon. Ralph H. Cameron, Arizona's delegate to congress, arrived in Prescott Sunday morning to spend part of the day seeing his friends before leaving for Washington for the winter. The visit was all in all, more of a social than a political nature, for Mr. Cameron promised that he would call on the people here before leaving Arizona. Following the arduous campaign, he has paid his respects to a number of sections in the territory, and everywhere he has met with a hearty reception.

On returning north he found over six hundred letters and telegrams of congratulation from residents of the territory and people outside of Arizona and he answered all of them before turning to any other task. His private business affairs demanded some of his attention, and altogether Mr. Cameron says he has worked just as strenuously as he did during the late campaign.

Asked regarding the outlook for immediate statehood, Mr. Cameron said to a Journal-Miner representative: "I am just as confident as ever, in fact, more so, if possible, that Arizona will get statehood at the short session, and I hope before the holidays. In intent to leave no stone unturned that may bring to Arizona the great boon for which she has been fighting so long without success. But I believe a new era has opened for the territory and that at last we are about to realize a victory that will be the greatest in the history of the territory. I am going to Washington and work from now until the close of the session for anything and everything that will be for the best interests of Arizona and Arizonans. As I have said before, and repeat now, we have the most loyal and best citizenship of any commonwealth in the union, and statehood is our right."

"The time was when the east did not appreciate our standards of citizenship, order and morality, but times have changed, and I believe that many of the false, unjust notions harbored against Arizona and her people have been supplanted by the truth. I have received assurances from many sources which encourage and confirm me in the belief that we shall have statehood, and that I will be able to make good on my promises to the people before election."

No one who talked with Mr. Cameron could help but be enthused by his genuine enthusiasm when statehood was mentioned. Certain it is that Ralph Cameron will be found fighting to the last ditch.

Cameron, after going to the Grand Canyon and Flagstaff, will with his family on Wednesday take leave of the territory for a few months. Mr. Cameron will be located in Washington at 26 to 30 Baltic building, where he has secured quarters.

### BANKERS GET RATE.

**Bisbee Gathering of Arizona Bankers' Has Attractive Program**

For the Arizona Bankers' Association which will meet in Bisbee on Dec. 4th and 5th a special one-and-one-fourth fare rate has been given over all railroads in Arizona and New Mexico. Certificates will be given by all ticket agents which will entitle the holder when properly countersigned to a return ticket for one-quarter fare.

An unusually attractive program has been prepared, including trips to various mines and to the Douglas smelters.

The Warren District Country Club will be open to all in attendance. The Hon. G. H. Neale, mayor of Bisbee, will deliver an address of welcome and among the speakers announced is the Hon. Moses B. Hazelton of the Bank of Arizona.

Trains from this section are due at Bisbee at 9:35 a. m. and 1:45 p. m. Hotel accommodations can be procured by writing or wiring to J. T. Hood.

### TAG DAY NETS FUNDS.

The total amount collected Wednesday, tag day, by the children of the public schools for the manual training department was reported last night in the sum of \$136. The expenses paid out of this amount were \$4.75, leaving a net amount in possession of the Monday Club of \$131.25.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)  
Organization of the company, which recently purchased the Humboldt smelter and the properties of the Arizona Smelting Company and the Consolidated Smelting Company, is progressing satisfactorily to the purchasers, according to advices received here yesterday from New York. No hitch has appeared so far in the proceedings and the prospects are that the sale of the properties made here by J. Kearney Rice, trustee in bankruptcy, will be confirmed by the United States district court of New Jersey on the day set, December 20.

As soon as practicable after the confirmation of the sale, the work of remodeling the plant and its appointments will be started and rushed to completion. The purchasers estimate that all the necessary changes can be made at an outlay of between \$125,000 and \$150,000. This includes the cost of repairing the pumping plant, as well as the desired changes in the smelters.

In addition to the Humboldt smelters the property purchased includes the Blue Bell and De Soto groups of mines in the Bradshaw mountains. The annual assessment work on the Blue Bell and De Soto groups as well as other properties purchased, for the present year is now well under way. This involves an outlay of at least \$5,000. It is a testament of the good faith of the purchasers of the holdings in the bankrupt concerns, leaving practically no doubt that the purchase was made in good faith and that the purchasers have full confidence in their ability to finance the undertaking.

The starting of the smelter will cause unprecedented activity in the Bradshaw mountain region, as a number of mines are now idle in that section that return handsome profits with a home market for the ore output.

### SUSTAINS NORRIS DEMURRER

**Mexican Is Exonerated from Charge of Murderous Assault.**

(From Tuesday's Daily.)  
After listening to further arguments and the citation of authorities on the part of the defense and prosecution in the case of Attorney T. G. Norris, charged with perjury, Judge Sloan sustained the demurrer to the indictment yesterday morning in the district court. District Attorney R. E. Morrison gave notice immediately of an appeal to the supreme court of the territory on law points.

The demurrer set forth that the indictment did not contain the substance of the suit in which the alleged perjury was committed. Judge Sloan sustained the demurrer on this point. He did not pass upon any further points raised in the demurrer as there was no cause of action after the decision of the first point.

The hearing of the case of Ledora Grenados, charged with assault with a deadly weapon on Pedro Cano at Crown King the night of October 25, occupied almost the remainder of the day's session. The case was given to the jury at 4:30 o'clock. A verdict of not guilty was returned at 8 o'clock. Grenado was alleged to have shot Cano in a drunken row at Crown King in which several Mexicans were implicated. Cano was wounded in the right side and a second bullet lodged in the fleshy part of his left forearm.

A jury in the case of Walter Atkin, indicted for cutting the Miller pipe line leading from the Thorbecke Springs to the city reservoir, October 11, was partially impaneled when court adjourned until 9:30 o'clock this morning.

### WILL CHANGE SERVICE.

**New Postal Bill Provides for Some Very Radical Changes.**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—Four offices of assistant postmaster general will be abolished, and directory posts, and even assistant provided for, and the entire postal service will be divided into fifteen separate districts, if the bill for the revision of the postal laws being prepared by the joint postal investigation committee appointed two years ago is passed by congress.

Journal-Miner for high class job work.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)  
At a special meeting of the city council last night an ordinance was passed granting to M. J. Hickey, Robert Brown and Henry T. Andrews a franchise to erect, maintain and construct an electric lighting, heating and power system, a cold storage plant system and a telegraph or telephone system within the city of Prescott, said franchise to be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the city for their approval at the next general election, January 5, 1909. The clerk was instructed to publish the franchise in full in the official paper until the election is held.

Mayor Goldwater, and Councilmen Wilson, Head and Belcher were present, all voting aye for the granting of the franchise. City Attorney Reese M. Ling was in attendance looking in to the legal details of the franchise, as was also Attorney Henry T. Andrews, representing himself and associate petitioners for the granting of the franchise.

One of the sections of the franchise provides for the payment into the city treasury one-half of one per centum of the gross receipts received from the operation of the systems.

It is also provided that at any time after five years the city shall have the option and right to purchase either or all of the systems with the property, improvements and acquired rights of the grantees at a fair valuation which shall be ascertained by three disinterested persons, non-residents of the city of Prescott, one to be chosen by the city, one by the grantees, and a third by the other two.

Attorney Andrews when seen last evening after the meeting said: "A franchise for an electric railroad with terminal rights in this city will be presented in the near future to the council for adoption by myself and associates. It would have been presented tonight but I was too busily engaged with other matters in the last few days to draft it. However, it is the purpose to submit it in the near future."

### CONDUCTOR SPEIDEL HURT.

**Trainman Is Struck by Passenger on Santa Fe Main Line.**

(From Tuesday's Daily.)  
Thrown from the track by the engine of Number 7 passenger train on the main line of the Santa Fe at Ash Fork Sunday afternoon, was the painful and thrilling experience of Conductor W. W. Speidel of the S. F. & P., who was taken to the Mercy Hospital here last night. Physicians assert that none of Speidel's bones are broken but he is suffering from bruises all over his body.

Conductor Speidel was in charge of one of the water trains running between Del Rio and Ash Fork when struck by the Santa Fe passenger. His train was standing in the yards in Ash Fork ready to pull out to Del Rio. He started east on the main track from the telegraph station. Owing to the noise of a switch engine he did not hear the passenger train approach as he was crossing the main track until it was almost upon him. When he realized his terrible danger he jumped in the air, landing on the cowcatcher, which threw him spinning in the air. According to his own statement he remembers spinning around at least six times after being struck. The step of the passing engine also struck him while still spinning and the step of the baggage car gave him a final jolt as it passed.

His escape was considered almost miraculous by his fellow employees who witnessed the accident, which happened on a sharp curve. Engineer Goldsworthy at the throttle of the passenger engine did not see Speidel until the engine was almost upon him. He applied the emergency brakes and stopped the train as soon as possible.

### BULGARIAN CABINET QUILTS.

SOFIA, Nov. 28.—The Bulgarian cabinet resigned today, but the emperor has not decided whether to accept the resignations. They will remain in office at least a few days to pass the budget.

If a new cabinet is formed it is probable M. Danef, the leader of the opposition, will unite with the Nationalists in a coalition ministry.

## City News ....In Brief

(From Sunday's Daily)

**Back from Jerome.**

Herman Voge arrived home last night from a business visit to Jerome.

**Stockman Visits.**

Harry Clark, the Williamson valley stockman, is here on stock business.

**Visiting Her Parents.**

Miss Mamie Cain, teacher of the Skull Valley school, is the guest of her parents in the city.

**Home from Los Angeles.**

Mrs. George Wooster has returned home from an extended visit with relatives and friends in Los Angeles.

**Enjoyed Duck Hunt.**

Judge Sloan and Attorney Reese M. Ling enjoyed a duck hunt at the American ranch yesterday afternoon.

**Home from Tucson.**

Attorney General E. S. Clark arrived home yesterday morning from an official and professional visit to Tucson.

**Santa Maria Visitors.**

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller and Hank Miller of Santa Maria arrived here yesterday afternoon on a visit with relatives.

**Left for Phoenix.**

H. E. Campbell, the Flagstaff wool grower, left here last night for Phoenix, after a pleasant day's visit here with his many friends.

**Left for Home.**

James Hamilton was an outgoing passenger yesterday afternoon for his home in China valley after a short visit here on stock business.

**Probate Business.**

Charles R. Ewing, administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Thomas Coleman, deceased, filed his final account of administration in the probate court yesterday, with a petition for distribution of the estate. The hearing of the petition was set for December 17.

**Stopped Over Here.**

Charles H. Hooker stopped over here yesterday on his way to his stock ranch from Coconino county, where he purchased a consignment of blooded stock for his ranges in the Ash and Sycamore creeks sections. He is accompanied by Albert Fain, who also made blooded stock purchases in Coconino county for his ranges in the Mogollon mountains.

**Expected Home Tonight.**

P. P. Hastings, general passenger and freight agent of the S. F. & P., is expected home tonight from an extended visit to California on railroad business.

**Here from Humboldt.**

M. G. Burns, member-elect to the territorial council from this county, arrived here last night from Humboldt to spend Sunday among his many friends here.

**Left for Los Angeles.**

Major and Mrs. C. C. Walcott, Jr., of Fort Whipple, left here yesterday afternoon for Los Angeles, where they will visit before going to Washington, D. C. They will visit the Grand Canyon on their way to the City of the Angels.

**Will Leave for Home.**

Chester Dickerson of Ash Fork and Oliver Loper of Cherry Creek, who served as trial jurors since the opening of the November term of the district court, were excused from further duty yesterday. They left for home in the afternoon.

**Left for Home.**

Mrs. S. P. Thompson and son, Jesse Thompson, left yesterday afternoon for their home in Humboldt, after attending the funeral of their husband and father, S. P. Thompson, whose remains were interred in the Citizens Cemetery, Friday afternoon.

(From Tuesday's Daily)

**Here from Humboldt.**

W. C. Abbott of Humboldt is visiting in the city.

**Camp Verde Visitor.**

Mrs. Arthur Heath of Camp Verde is visiting in the city.

**Dewey Visitors.**

Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Bonnell of Dewey are visiting in the city.

**Here on Business.**

T. J. Sparks is in the city from the Yarnell mine on business.

**Mayer Visitor.**

Walter Moe of Mayer arrived here last evening on a short visit.

**Accepts Old Position.**

William Bunte has accepted his old position in the Del Monte cafe.

**In from His Mines.**

S. R. Sands is in the city from his mines in the Dewey neighborhood.

**Reported Convalescing.**

Sam Newson is reported convalescing from a severe attack of grippe.

**Mine Manager Here.**

J. H. Farrell, general manager of the New England Arizona Mining Company, arrived here last night on a hurried visit on company business.

### Mining Man Visits.

Jesse W. Davis, the Turkey Creek mining man, is here on mining business.

**Verde Valley Visitor.**

G. M. Willard is in the city from the Verde Valley on a short business visit.

**Enjoying a Vacation.**

W. J. Butler is in the city from Harrington enjoying a well earned vacation.

**Purchasing Supplies.**

J. E. Swigert is in the city from his mines on Groom Creek, purchasing supplies.

**Old Timer Visits.**

John Flinnigan, a pioneer resident of the Kirkland district, is here on business.

**Mining Man Visits.**

George B. Upton, the Weaver district mining man, is here on mining business.

**Camp Verde Visitors.**

J. L. Murdock and Miss Mary J. Murdock of Camp Verde are visiting in the city.

**Home from Jerome.**

Deputy Sheriff Frank Burns arrived home last night from an official visit to Jerome.

**Jerome Junction Visitor.**

R. E. Johnson of Jerome Junction arrived here last evening on a short business visit.

**Mining Man Here.**

S. G. Johnson is in the city from his mining camp at the Oriental mine on mining business.

**Visiting His Family.**

Dr. J. K. McDonnell arrived here last night from Fossil Creek on a visit with his family.

**Home from the Coast.**

Mrs. Frank L. Wright arrived home last night from an extended visit with friends on the coast.

**Purchasing Supplies.**

Jasper Phillips is in the city from his mines in the Hassayampa district, purchasing supplies.

**Back from the Etta.**

R. C. Houston returned here last night from a short visit to the Etta mine in the Black Hills district.

**Visiting Relatives.**

J. C. Young arrived here last night from his stock ranch in the Skull valley country on a visit with relatives.

**In from His Mines.**

James O'Hara is in the city from his mines in the Kirkland district, where he recently finished his annual work.

**Left for Home.**

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Clarke were outgoing passengers yesterday for their home in Mayer after a three days' visit here.

**Left for Home.**

Charles Burkes left yesterday afternoon for his stock ranch in the Upper Verde country, after a short business visit here.

**Stopped Over Here.**

Rev. Eugene Keen of Camp Verde stopped over here yesterday on his way home from an extended visit with friends in the Salt River valley.

**Left for Skull Valley.**

Miss Mamie Cain, teacher of the Skull Valley school, was an outgoing passenger for the valley Sunday night, after spending a pleasant Thanksgiving with her parents and many friends here.

**Left for Jerome.**

T. E. Campbell, general manager of the Haynes Copper Company, left yesterday morning for his company's camp in the Verde district, near Jerome.

**Will Leave for Camp.**

H. E. Armitage will leave today for his camp at the Oriental mill near Poland, where a consignment of ore from the Bullwacker mine was recently delivered for treatment. He has been visiting his family since Thanksgiving Day.

**Home from Visit.**

Mrs. R. N. Loney arrived home last night from a pleasant visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mayer, of Mayer.

**Left for Home.**

W. S. Goldworthy, general agent of the Santa Fe, with headquarters in Phoenix, left last night for home, after a short visit here on railroad business.

**Here on Business.**

J. B. Young is in the city from his mines in the Humbog district, where he reports a general awakening of activity in developing promising properties.

**Back from Trip.**

H. L. Sweeney arrived home yesterday afternoon from an extended prospecting trip in the Colorado River country, where he located a promising group of mines.

**A Flying Visit.**

P. P. Hastings, general passenger and freight agent of the S. F. & P., paid a flying visit to Hillside yesterday on railroad business, returning on the afternoon train.

**In New Quarters.**

The members of the Yavapai Club moved into their temporary quarters in the Congress Hotel last evening, pending the rebuilding of the club house recently destroyed by fire.

### W. C. T. U. Meets.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. E. M. Wren this afternoon at 3 o'clock at 403 E. Gurley street. The subject of discussion is: "Why Should a Church Member Belong to the W. C. T. U.?"

**Here from Ash Fork.**

J. W. Kraemer, one of the popular telegraphers and assistant train dispatchers of the S. F. & P., arrived here last night from Ash Fork to do the dot and dash act at the trainmaster's office the next ten days.

**Left for Home.**

Mrs. H. J. Gray and baby were outgoing passengers yesterday afternoon for Jerome Junction after a short visit here. Mrs. Gray stated that the Thanksgiving night dance was one of the most enjoyable social affairs ever given in Jerome Junction.

**Bounty Pelt Contributions.**

Yesterday's bounty pelt contributions to the board of supervisors' collection of hides comprised the scalps and hides of four wild cats and one coyote from W. H. Reiner of Copper Basin, ten wild cats and two coyotes from W. F. Haman of Dewey and two wild cats from Indian Jim of Congress.

**Has Injured Hand.**

Tom Simmons is a recent arrival from Kingman, suffering from an injured hand caused by a splinter while following his occupation of millwright. The splinter was two and a half inches in length. It was imbedded in the palm of his left hand while using a plane.

I. T. Stoddard, former secretary of the territory, stopped over here Sunday on his way to the Binghamton mine in the Copper Mountain district, in which he owns a half interest. He left yesterday morning for camp and will assume active management of affairs there on his arrival. He stated that a very promising body of high grades ores was uncovered in the mine recently.

### REJECT BIDS

**School Trustees Cannot Stretch \$30,000 Far Enough.**

(From Tuesday's Daily.)  
Owing to insufficient funds all bids for the construction of the new school building in West Prescott opened Saturday were rejected by the board of Trustees.

Only \$30,000 is available for the purchase of the site, the erection of the building, its heating and equipment, and the expenses of advertising the bonds and bids for the construction of the building. The totals of the bids received for the erection of the building and its plumbing and heating far exceeded this amount, resulting in their rejection. In all probability the trustees will order a revision of the plans or perhaps new plans and specifications at a meeting in the near future.

Many local contracting firms here and in Phoenix refused to submit bids, realizing from the plans and specifications submitted that it is impossible to construct, plumb and heat the proposed building for the amount available.

Only one for the erection of the building, that of Sine and Rockmark of this city, was submitted. This is in the amount of \$26,740. The bid did not include the heating and plumbing.

The heating bids are Munger and Munger, of Pasadena, \$4,429, with thermostats, \$4,929; Machinery and Electric Company, of Los Angeles, \$5,324; E. D. Hough, \$5,800.

The plumbing bids opened are Munger and Munger, \$2,998, and Ed. Keihl of this city \$2,460.

### ELKS TO HOLD SERVICE.

All visiting members of antlered herds and the public generally are extended a cordial invitation to attend the annual memorial services of the local lodge of Elks Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Elks opera house.

Judge Sloan will deliver the address. Mrs. Kirkpatrick will sing "Resignation," and Mrs. Leroy Anderson "Peace of God."

Brother Harry Harter will recite "Rock Me to Sleep," which will be followed by the violin solo, "Cavatina," by Mrs. Frank Hanley.

The services will close with benediction by Rev. L. W. Wheatley of the Marina street Methodist church.

### OPEN FOR BUSINESS.

The Commercial Trust Company is now doing business in the new quarters of the company in the south room of the first floor of the Masonic Temple building.

The vaults are absolutely burglar and fire proof and of the latest and most modern types. One vault contains a safe deposit department and the other is used for the records. Both vaults are covered with figured steel. The furniture and fixtures are new, of quarter sawed oak with wainscoting of the same material and marble base boards.